

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows:

Replace the paragraph on page 1, between lines 1-5 of the specification with the following:

The invention relates to a gas discharge lamp for generating extreme ultraviolet and/or soft X-ray radiation ~~as defined in the pre-characterizing section of claim 1.~~ Preferred fields of application are those which require extreme ultraviolet (EUV) radiation or soft X-ray radiation in a wavelength range of approximately 1 to 20 nm, in particular around 13 nm, for example EUV lithography or X-ray microscopy.

Delete the paragraph on page 3, between lines 4-6 of the specification.